MACRAME' Magic

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Macrame' Magic

Many a macrame'-ist happily entangled in the magic web of macrame' is well aware of the wizardry of common materials such as jute, sisal, yarn, and nautical cord. There seems to be no end to the combination of rope tricks you can use as you fashion hanging shelves, plant hangers, holders for stereo speakers, angelic angels and other decorations. Two of the beautiful projects in this book sport large, fluffy yarn tassels which are so popular today!

It won't take the originality of a Houdini to keep your guests spellbound when you display your handmade creations. They are decorator pieces with a capital "D" – **delightful, daringly different,** *and so* **devilishly** *clever you'll swear there was sorcery in the fingers that made them! And aren't you just a bit thrilled about the fact that those nimble, knotty fingers will be yours?*

Come, turn the following pages for more macrame' magic!

Author

BOBI HALL is overflowing with ingenuity and talent – a truly charming, creative lady who is adept at many crafts and the owner of Bobi's Hobbys in Alhambra, California. When we approached her about a macrame' book, her enthusiasm was most contagious!

This book is the result of many hours of her creativity and we trust you'll find it as excitin and full of macrame' magic as we do.

Knotty Notes

To make our instructions as easy for you as possible, we have incorporated some special features in this book that we want to call to your attention.

Unless you purchase the same size cord that we used to make a particular project, the yardage figure given in the material list for the project will not be correct. Because the number of cord plys is not the whole story either, we have included a picture of the exact cord size you will want to purchase. Take this book with you to the store when you buy your cord.

Another secret of success is the proper tension when tying your knots. If you tie too loosely, you'll not have enough cord and if you tie too tightly you will have excess. To help assure that you are tying knots properly, we have included a MEASUREMENT GAUGE in the black and white photo of every project. Check with this gauge to determine whether your project is the same length as ours at specified checkpoints – 6", 12", and 18". The figure shown for the total length of a project is the length when it is hanging without a pot in it.

Recognizing that it is easy to loose your place in lengthy instructions we have given the names of the different knots used in the project on the black and white photos. This enables you to see-at-a-glance what you are knotting. Have fun with MACRAME' MAGIC!

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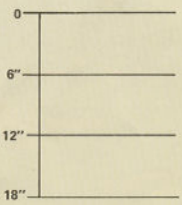

Measurement Gauge

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Gracile

Completed Length 5 ft. 10"

Actual Size Cord

MATERIALS

386 yds. 5-Ply jute, 5 mm, green
2 Metal rings, 2½" dia.
2 Dowel sticks, 12½"x ½"
20 Oval wooden beads, 1¼"
12"x 30" Wooden shelf with fancy edge
10 Wood screws, 1/8"x 2"

DIRECTIONS For Each Panel (Work top to bottom.) (Work both panels simultaneously)

1. Cut six cords measuring 12½ yds. each. Cut one 1 yd. gathering cord.

2. Fold each 12½ yd. cord in half and place thru a 2½" dia. ring so all ends are even.

3. Tie the top of the cords together with the gathering cord, starting 4" below the bottom of the ring and wrap up to 2" below the ring.

4. Separate the cords into three groups of four. With each group tie sinnets of approx. twenty-four half knots (or 5"). Allow three twists for each sinnet.

5. Add on cords as follows: Cut a 10-2/3 yd. cord to be used as a holding cord in a row of horizontal double half hitches. Center this holding cord and double half hitch cord No. 6 to the left and cord No. 7 to the right. Continue horizontal double half hitches using cords 5 thru 1; then cords 8 thru 12. Repeat once more from beginning of this step. Then double half hitch the first holding cord on each side onto the second holding cord. You will now have sixteen ends.

6. DAISY PATTERN: Separate the cords into two groups of eight and work as follows:

Row 1: Using the outside cord from each side as holding cords, tie a diagonal row of double half hitches to center to form a "V" shape. The first three cords should be worked almost horizontally and then taper the remaining cords at a steep angle to the point of the "V".

Row 2: Take the next outside cord from each side and tie another diagonal row of double half hitches, this time the first two cords should taper down almost vertically and the remaining cords toward the point of the "V". Cross the two holding cords with a double half hitch.

Row 3: Tie two diagonal rows away from the center using cord No. 8 to the left and cord No. 9 to the right as holding cords. This time the first three cords should be almost horizontal and the rest taper down at a steep angle.

Row 4: Tie two diagonal rows away from the center this time tapering the first two cords nearly vertically then the remainder angled toward the last knot from the previous row.

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Linda's Planter Lamp

Completed Length 3 ft.

MATERIALS

1 Wire lamp shade frame, height 7", dia. 10"
139 yds. jute
Electric cord, socket and plug
Loop hanger, threaded nipple and locknuts

DIRECTIONS (Work from top to bottom.)

1. Cut thirty-six cords 2½ yds. long for shade. Cut six cords 2-1/3 yds. long for hanger. Cut one cord 14 yds. long for electric cord. Cut 18 yds. to wrap wire frame. Cut one 18" gathering cord and cut six 12" tying cords.

2. LAMP FRAME: Conceal bottom ring of wire frame and vertical wires by wrapping neatly with jute cord. Do not wrap the top ring.

3. Fold thirty-six cords 2½ yds. long in the middle and mount to the metal ring at the top of the wire frame with Lark's head knots.

4. Tie a row of square knots just below the metal ring using two knotters and two filler cords. Tie them snug around the wire frame.

5. Use the filler cords from the first row of square knots as knotters and tie a row of alternating square knots just below the first row of knots.

6. Tie twelve more rows of alternating square knots exchanging knotters and filler cords for each row. As the frame increases in diameter gradually leave more space between knots so that the macrame' lays smoothly on the shade.

7. Approx. 2" from the bottom ring of the frame separate the cords into eighteen groups of four cords each. Select four cords adjacent to one of the vertical wires and tie a four knot square knot sinnet having two filler cords. Repeat on all vertical wires. Tie a six half knot sinnet with the remaining twelve groups of four cords.

8. Split the four cords of one of the square knot sinnets on either side of the vertical wire and allow to hang inside the shade. Gather twelve cords together – four cords from the square knot sinnet, three cords from the half knot sinnet on either side of the square knot sinnet plus one cord from each half knot sinnet beyond. Tie together with a 12" tying cord. Use a short cord to tie the bottom of the macrame' shade to the bottom metal ring midway between the vertical wires. Cut a 4" fringe. Repeat five more times around the lamp.

1. POT HANGER: Need six 2-1/3 yd. cords. Fold two cords together in the center. Feed both ends thru the macrame' shade around a vertical wire 2" down

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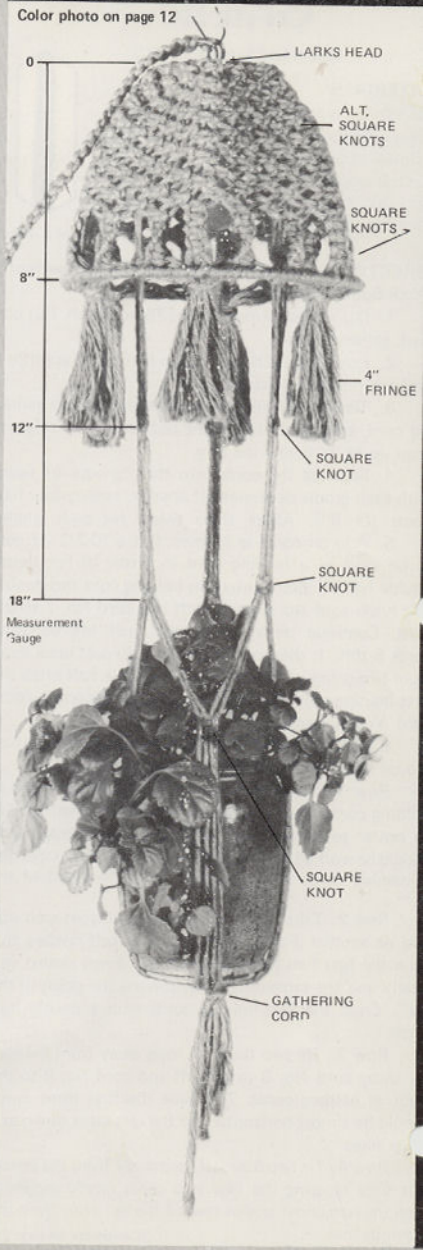
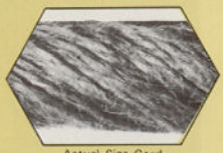


Tubby

Completed Length 5 ft. 8"



Actual Size Cord

MATERIALS
46½ yds. 100-strand cord
Metal ring, 6" dia.

DIRECTION (Work from top to bottom.)

1. Cut three cords measuring 4½ yds. each and three cords measuring 11 yds. each.

2. Fold each cord in half and mount onto the ring with a Lark's head knot. Be sure there is a long cord on each end. The other long cord can be placed towards the center of the group. This gives you twelve cords on the ring.

3. Using one long outside cord from each side as knotters and the other ten cords as fillers tie four square knots.

4. Separate cords into three groups having two long knotters and two short filler cords per group.

5. With each of the two outside groups tie a sinnet of twelve square knots. Tie a sinnet of eleven square knots with the center group.

6. Skip down 6" and take a cord from each neighboring group and tie a square knot having two filler cords. Repeat for each group.

7. Skip down 6". Use the longest cords to wrap and tie around the other cords.

8. Cut a 10" to 20" fringe. ■

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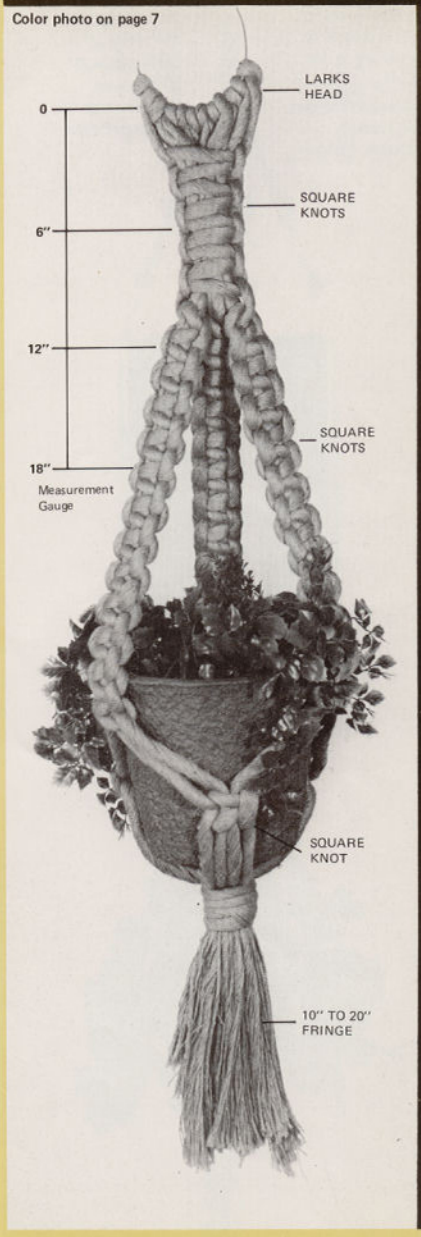

Dyeing Cord

Natural colored sisal and jute cord can be easily dyed in any color with regular fabric dye. It may be dyed before you start knotting, or after the project is completed. If dyeing before knotting, be sure to buy more cord than specified in the list of materials, as the cord will shrink: 1% for sisal, 3% for jute. For easy handling, wind the cord into a skein and secure the ends. Wash the cord with detergent, and rinse it thoroughly. Dye the cord following the instructions on the label. Rinse well with cold water and hang to dry. If the hanger is going to be all one color, you can dye it after it is completed. The coloring is not as even using this method, as the dye is not able to penetrate the knots. Beads are not ordinarily affected by the dye.

They say necessity is the mother of invention. Here ingenuity is the mother of the macrame' hanger. for a stereo speaker. Unusual, functional and most attractive, this piece also holds a planter of greenery. *Turn to page 15 for instructions.*

AT LEFT

Many of today's striking macrame' decorator pieces are tied of white yarn and sport large, exotic tassels. *Turn to page 9 for instructions.*

ABOVE

The spectacular planter above is made with an unique 100-strand cord. This large cord is primarily used for tying vegetables for market. A 12" length is cut which provides one hundred 12" strands to tie bunches of spinach, etc. The cord is sometimes known as "grape twine" and is used in vineyards. The craftsmen found the cord and now it is being used for bold, contemporary macrame' projects.

Please turn to page 5 for instructions for this fascinating planter.

Juliana

Completed Length 7 ft.

Actual Size Cord

MATERIALS

148 yds of 4-ply polyester soft cord, white
Metal ring, 2½" dia.
Metal ring, 3" dia.
4 Wooden macrame' beads, 1½" dia.
8" and 19" dia. plastic pots
White craft glue

DIRECTIONS (Work from top to bottom.)

1. Cut sixteen cords measuring 9 yds. each. Cut two tie cords measuring 6" each, and two gathering cords measuring 35" each. Place the 9 yd. cords together and find the center of the length. This is easily done by folding the cords in half and marking the center. Unfold the cords and temporarily tie the cords together at the center mark with a 6" tie cord.

2. Tie three square knots on each side of the 6" tie cord using eight cords as fillers and eight cords as knotters. Remove the 6" tie cord.

3. Fold the cords in half thru the 2½" ring and secure by wrapping a 35" gathering cord around all the cords just under the square knots. This gives you thirty-two cords on the ring.

4. Separate the cords into four groups of eight cords each and tie six Chinese crown knots.

5. Skip down 4". Place all cords thru the 3" ring and secure each cord to the ring with a double half hitch knot.

6. Separate the cords into four groups of eight cords each. Repeat the following procedure for each group of cords. Tie four square knots having four filler cords. Add a wood bead and tie seven square knots.

7. Skip down 2". Take four cords from each neighboring knot (eight cords in all) and tie one square knot. This forms the top section to hold the top pot.

8. Skip down 2" and take four cords from each neighboring knot (2 fillers and 2 knotters from each; eight cords in all) and tie thirty-six half knots having four filler cords. The knotting cords become fillers and the fillers become knotters. This saves yardage.

9. Skip down 5". Take four cords from each neighboring knot (eight cords in all) and tie one square knot. Skip down 3" and take four cords from each neighboring knot and tie a square knot.

10. Skip down 4" and temporarily tie a 6" cord around all thirty-two cords. Trim off all cords 12" below the 6" cord.

11. TASSEL: Make the fluffy tassel from the left over cord by cutting it into 12" lengths. Secure all the lengths together with a rubber band like a pony tail. Place white glue around the top of the tassel.

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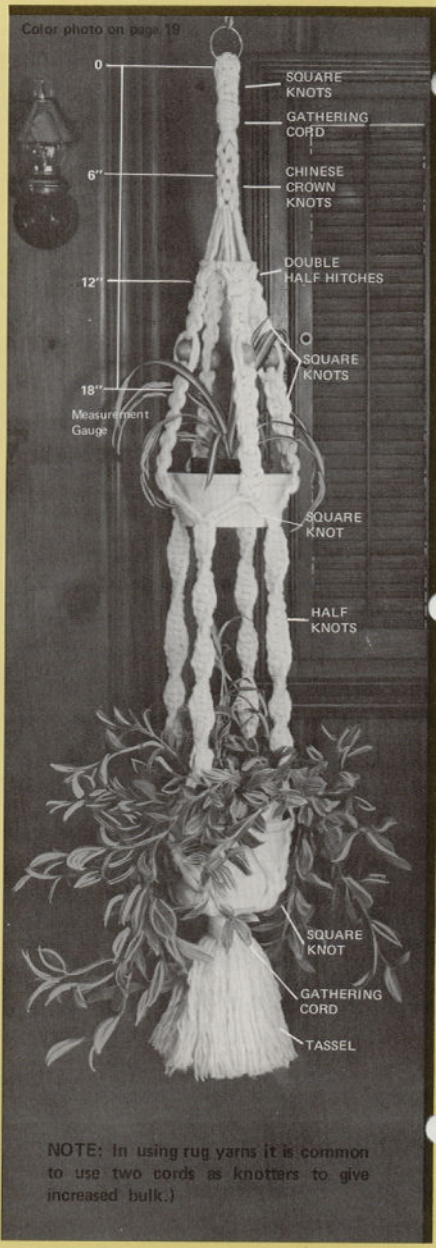


NOTE: In using rug yarns it is common to use two cords as knotters to give increased bulk.)

Lorraine

Completed Length 7 ft. 4"

Acutal Size Cord

MATERIALS

164 yds. Rug cord, white, (16 oz. ball)
8 oz. 4-ply Knitting yarn, white
2 10" dia. Papier mache pots

DIRECTIONS

NOTE: Work from the bottom to the top.
(In using rug yarns it is common to use two cords as knotters to give increased bulk.)

1. Cut sixteen cords measuring 10 yds. each of rug cord. Place the cords together and fold in half to find the center. Temporarily tie a string around it to mark the center. This gives you thirty-two cords.

2. Divide the cords into four groups of eight cords each. Tie ten Chinese crown knots.

3. Divide the cords into four groups of eight cords each. Select one group of cords and divide it into four pair of two cords each. Skip down 3" and tie a square knot. Repeat with the other three groups.

4. Tie two rows of alternating square knots 3" apart.

5. Tie two more square knots in each group of cords.

6. Skip down 7" and tie a three square knot sinnet with each group of cords.

7. Skip down 7" and tie eight Chinese crown knots.

8. Divide cords into four groups of eight cords each. Skip down 3" and tie a square knot. Repeat with the other three groups.

9. Tie two rows of alternating square knots 3" apart.

10. Tie two more square knots directly below the last square knot with each group of cords.

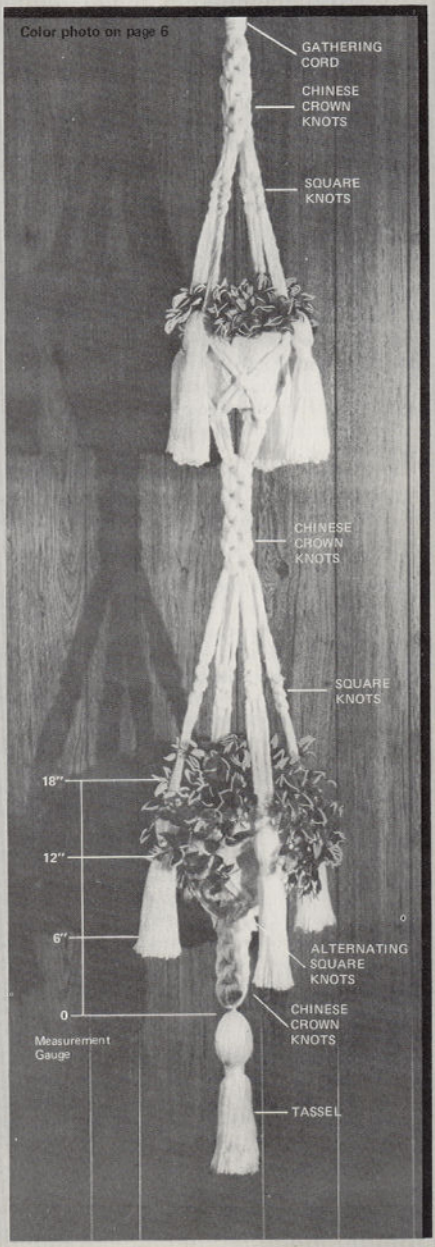
11. Skip down 7" and tie three square knots.

12. Skip down 3" and tie five Chinese crown knots.

13. To make the loop for hanging requires 10" of cord beyond the last Chinese crown knot. Closely wrap 10" of the 32 cords with a separate 10 ft. gathering cord. Secure end with an overhand knot. Cut off loose ends 1" beyond the gathering cord. Fold in half to form a loop and cover cord ends with a 2 ft. gathering cord.

14. Make eight small tassels of knitting yarn. Cut sixty-four cords measuring 22" each for each tassel. Place sixty-two lengths together. Locate the center and tightly tie cords together. Fold in half. Skip down 2" and use the remaining two lengths as a double gathering cord to tie around the tassel. Cut the ends even. Attach a tassel to the top of the square knots tied in step 5 and step 9.

15. Make one large tassel of knitting yarn. Cut a hundred and twenty cords measuring 22" long each. Follow the same procedure as for small tassels. Attach large tassel to the bottom of the hanger. ■



Kashmir

Actual Size Cord

Completed Length 6 ft. 6"

MATERIALS

233 yds. Sisal rope
24" Wooden dowel stick, 3/8" dia.
Metal ring, 3" dia.

DIRECTIONS (Work from top to bottom.)

1. Cut twenty-four cords measuring 9½ yds. each.

2. Fold all cords in half thru the ring. This will give you forty-eight cords on the ring measuring 4¾ yds. each.

3. Skip down ½". Using the two outside cords on either side form a gathering cord around the forty-four cords by interlacing approx. 1". See Fig. A.

4. With four outside cords on left side, tie twenty half knots having two filler cords.

5. Alternate knotters for filler cords and tie fifteen more half knots.

6. Repeat steps 4 and 5 for the right side.

7. Put two cords on each side of one end of the dowel stick and tie one square knot. Repeat for the other end of the stick.

8. With the remaining cords, take two cords at a time and make a loop around the dowel stick.

9. Tie a row of square knots using four cords at a time, directly below the stick.

10. Tie six more rows of an alternating square knot pattern using the forty-eight cords.

11. LEFT SIDE: With the eight outside cords, tie ten rows of alternating square knots dropping down 1½" between rows. Tie a half knot directly below the last square knot.

12. Skip down 5". Number cords 1 thru 8, left to right. Tie overhand knots with cords 1-2, 7-8, 3-6, and 4-5.

13. Skip down 2" and tie another set of overhand knots with 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, and 8-1.

14. Skip down 1" and tie another set of overhand knots combining 1-2, 7-8, 2-6, and 4-5.

15. Take the two outside cords and tie sixteen half knots having six filler cords directly below the last half knot. Wrap a piece of wire around cords under the half knot so they will hold. Cut fringe to about 5".

16. Repeat steps 11 thru 15 for the right side.

17. Number the remaining center cords, 1 thru 32, left to right.

18. Tie one square knot using cords 3-6, (4-5 as filler cords), 11-14, 15-18, 19-22, and 27-30. Each knot has two filler cords.

19. Tie one square knot using cords 13-16 and 17-20.

20. Tie one square knot with 15-18.

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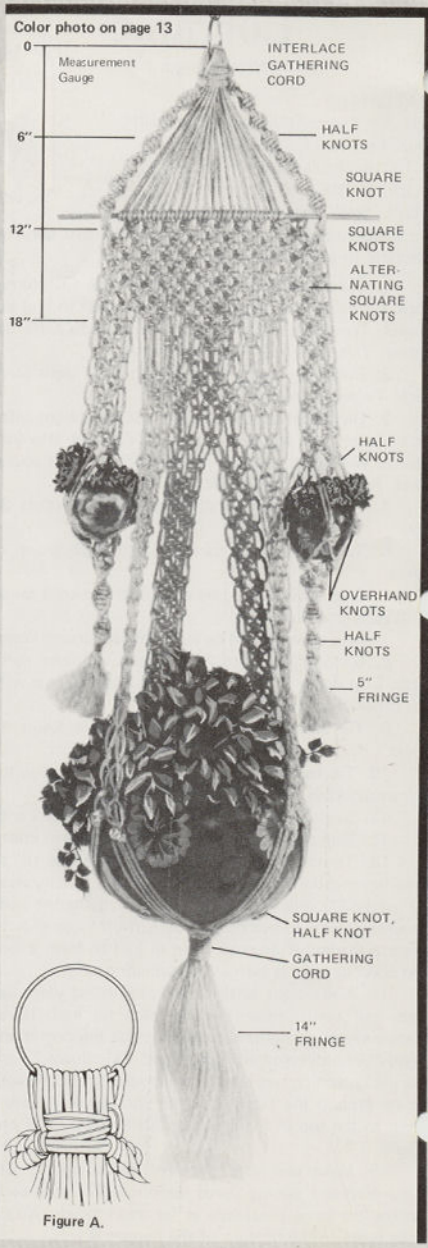


Figure A.

Geometrica

Actual Size Cord

MATERIALS

64 ft. White cotton sash cord, No. 10, 5/16" dia.
3 doz. 1¼" Finishing nails
12" Redwood tub, octagon shape

DIRECTIONS (Work from top to bottom.)

1. Cut eight cords measuring 8 ft. each.

2. Find the center of a cord. Make a double loop and attach at each corner. See photo. Nail one loop to either side of the panel seam of the tub. Allow the loops to extend ½" above the top of the tub.

3. Skip down 3" and use adjacent cords to tie a Josephine knot.

4. Skip down 3" and intertwine adjacent cords. Skip down 4" and tie another Josephine knot 4" below the upper Josephine knot.

5. Bring each cord to the bottom of the tub and make a loop. Nail cord ends to tub and cut off excess. Repeat around the tub.

Cipango

Actual Size Cord

MATERIALS

64 yds. 7-ply green jute
2 doz. Uphostery nails
2 doz. Brass nails, 5/8"
12" Redwood tub, octagon shape
White acrylic paint
Masking tape

DIRECTIONS (Work from top to bottom.)

1. Cover the metal bands on the tub with masking tape. Paint the tub with white paint; two coats are advisable.

2. Cut twenty-four 8 ft. cords.

3. Fold a cord in half and make a 1" loop at the center. Nail the loop to a seam. Locate so the loop extends ½" above the tub. Repeat at remaining seams with the remaining sixteen cords. Make loops as before and attach in pairs in the center of each panel. See photo for location.

4. Skip down ½" and tie one square knot having two filler cords with the four cords in the center of the panel. Repeat around the tub.

5. Skip down 1" and tie two square knots in the cords at the seam. Use seam cords as knotters and one cord from two adjacent panels as filler cords. Repeat around the tub.

6. Tie a square knot having one filler cord. Use one cord from the center panel and one cord from the seam as knotters and the other seam cord as a filler. Repeat around the tub.

Color photo on page 13

7. Tie five square knots having two filler cords, down the center of a panel. Bring a knotter and a filler cord from the knot tied in step 6 plus the same two cords from an adjacent knot. (The filler cords from the previous knot are the knotters.) Repeat around the tub.

8. Tie one square knot having one filler cord. Use two cords from the center panel and the adjacent single cord. (One cord from the panel is used as a filler cord.) Repeat around the tub with two knots per panel.

9. Tie two square knots on the seam, having two filler cords. Use the right two cords from one knot and the left two from an adjacent knot. Repeat around the tub.

10. Skip down 1" and tie one square knot having two filler cords. Use one cord from adjacent seams as filler cords and two cords from the center panel as knotters. Repeat around the tub.

11. Skip down ½" and tie off each pair of cords with a square knot. Nail to the bottom of the tub with a brass nail. Trim off excess and apply glue. ■

ABOVE LEFT

This unique lamp planter is perfect to make for hanging over a chair in a cozy corner of the den or lanai. Instructions can be found on page 4.

ABOVE RIGHT

Magestic Angela hangs 43" long and is stunning to make of shiny white polyester boating cord. Make her for your holiday front door, to hang by the fireplace or on a wall where a dramatic effect is desired. Angela's instructions are found on page 14.

AT RIGHT

The dramatic three-pot plant hanger, shown at the right, is tied of a natural sisal. Please turn to page 10 for instructions.

Popular redwood tubs are unusually showy when decorated with macrame'. See instructions on page 11.

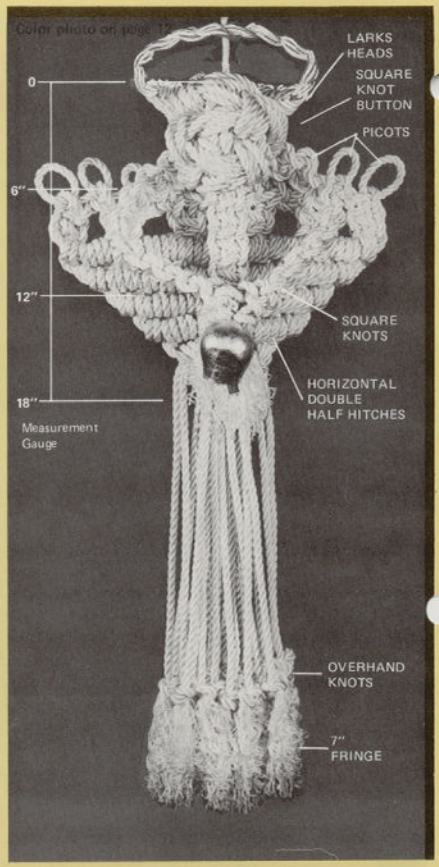
43" Angela

Completed Length 43"

Actual Size Cord

MATERIALS

122 yds. Polyester boating rope, 7/8" dia.
10" Halo (Metal ring wrapped 4 times with ¼" basket reed, taped and gold leafed.)
4" Camel bell, gold leafed



DIRECTIONS (Work from top to bottom.)

1. Cut four cords measuring 6½ yds. each. Place two cords together, fold in half and attach to the ring with a Lark's head. Repeat with the other two cords. This gives you eight cords measuring 3¼ yds. each.

2. Cut four cords measuring 9 yds. each. Place two cords together, fold in half, and attach to the ring with a Lark's head on the left side of the cords attached in step 1. Repeat for the other two cords and attach them on the right side of the cords attached in step 1. This gives you sixteen cords on the ring.

3. HEAD: Divide the cords into three groups as follows: four long cords in the first group; eight short cords in the second group; four long cords in the third group. Using groups one and three as the knotting cords, and group two as the filler cord, tie four square knots. Make a square knot button by bringing the group two filler cords up over the knot and down between the center space of the four Lark's head knots and the ring. Pull the cords thru to form the button. Using group one and three as knotting cords and group two as the filler cord, tie a square knot directly beneath the button to hold it firm. This completes the head.

4. ARMS: Using the group of four cords at the extreme right, tie ten regular square knots having two filler cords. Repeat with the group of four cords at the extreme left.

5. BODY: Number the eight center cords 1 thru 8 from left to right. Using cords 3-6, tie four regular square knots having two filler cords. (You will now have two free cords at each side.)

6. WING: Cut five cords measuring 6 yds. each. Fold one cord in half and pin the loop next to the two free cords at the right side of the body. Tie one square knot having two filler cords, snugly against the body. Using one filler cord and one knotting cord on the right half of this knot, add another cord as before, this time leaving a slight loop for a picot at the top. Repeat three more times, each time leaving a slightly longer picot. You now have twelve cords on the right side of the body. Number the cords 1 thru 12 from left to right. Separate these cords into three groups of four cords each and tie one square knot with each group. The lower portion of each wing is made from rows of horizontal double half hitches. For each row, use two cords at the extreme right for holding cords and two cords together each time for knotting cords, tie four rows as follows:

Row 1 (Holding cords 11-12) 5 double half-hitches.
Row 2 (Holding cords 10-9) 4 double half-hitches.
Row 3 (Holding cords 8-7) 3 double half-hitches.

7. Repeat step 6 for the left wing, working from right to left this time, and reversing the numbering and angling technique accordingly.

8. Using one long cord from each arm, thread thru the loop of the bell (from back to front) and tie or square knot behind the bell, using the six remaining cords from arms as fillers. Trim the six filler cords to 8", for a fringe in back of the bell.

9. Tie the remaining long arm cords in one square

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Pukka

STEREO SPEAKER HOLDER

MATERIALS **Completed Length 5 ft. 5"**
116-2/3 yds. 4-ply jute
24 Barrel beads, 1¼"
24 Round beads, 1" dia.
Metal ring, 3" dia.
Metal ring, 2" dia. (Solid or welded for extra strength to bear weight.)
6"x 8" clay pot
18"x 11"x 6½" Speaker

Actual Size Cord

DIRECTIONS (Work from top to bottom.)

1. Cut twelve cords measuring 9½ yds. each. Cut two gathering cords measuring 1 yd. 12" each.

2. Fold each 9½ yd. cord in half and place thru the 2" ring so all ends are even.

3. Tie the top of the cords together with a gathering cord 1¼" below the ring.

4. Divide the cords into six groups of four and tie four Chinese crown knots.

5. Slip a 3" ring over the top and drop it down 2" from the last Chinese crown knot. With each of the twenty-four cords, tie one double half-hitch onto the ring to secure it.

6. Arrange the cords into six groups of four cords each. Repeat steps 7 thru 10 for each group.

7. Tie seventeen half knots (or 3"), having two filler cords. Allow three full twists for this section.

8. Slide 1¼" barrel bead up the two filler cords and tie another seventeen half knots.

9. Slide 1" round bead up the two filler cords and tie a square knot.

10. Skip down 2" and tie a square knot with interchanging knotters. Repeat eight more times or 19" total from round bead to last square knot.

11. Skip down 2" and tie an alternating square knot, using two cords from each of two neighboring knots.

12. Skip down ½" and tie an alternating square knot. Skip down ½" again and tie an alternating square knot.

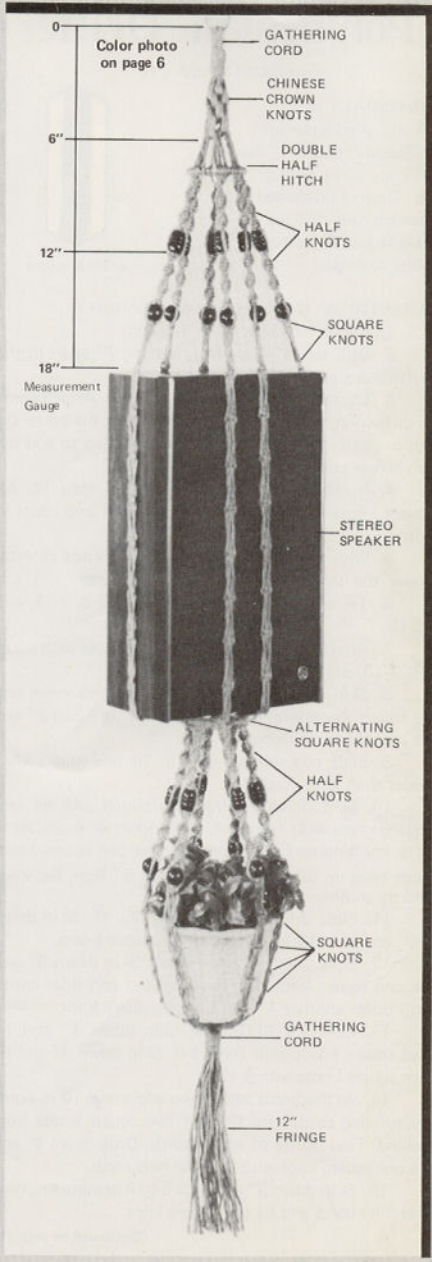
13. Repeat steps 7, 8, and 9.

14. Skip down 1½" and tie a square knot with interchanging knotters. Repeat four more times or 9½" total.

15. Gather and tie all cords together with gathering cord 1" below last knots for eleven wraps.

16. Cut fringe to measure 12".

NOTE: To adjust measurements for larger or smaller speaker size, add or subtract 3" of cord for every 2" more or less needed and tie more or less knots in step 10. ■



Polynesian Drifter

Completed Length 4 ft.

Actual Size Cord

MATERIALS

39 yds. oiled 4-ply Jute
2 Macrame' beads, 1" dia.
3 Exotic shells, with drilled hole
26" Piece of driftwood
Wooden ring, 2¾" dia.
Assorted small feathers
White craft glue

DIRECTIONS (Work from top to bottom.)

1. Cut eleven cords 10 ft. in length.

2. Drill ten ½" dia. holes, spacing 2" apart in the driftwood stem.

3. Locate center of eight 10 ft. cords. Attach cords to driftwood, tying Lark's head knots thru the holes. Do not use holes 2 and 9. These will be needed to add the top hanger cords.

4. Number all cords left to right, 1 thru 16. All square knots use two cords as fillers and two cords as knotters.

5. With cords 1-4 tie one square knot directly under the third drilled hole from the left.

6. Tie one square knot with cords 5-8, 9-12, and 13-16.

7. Alternate cords and tie square knots with cords 3-6, 7-10, and 11-14.

8. Skip down 2", alternate cords once more and tie square knots with cords 5-8, 9-12. Skip down 2" and tie square knot with cords 7-10.

9. Slide one shell up cord 5. Tie one square knot under shell with cords 4-7.

10. Skip down 7" from driftwood and tie two square knots with cords 1-4. Skip down 4" more; alternate knotting and filler cords and tie one square knot. Slide bead up filler cords, skip down 5" from last knot and tie another square knot.

11. Slide drilled shell up cord No. 15. Skip down 2½" on cords 13-16 and tie three square knots.

12. Slide bead up filler cords. Skip down 3" and tie one square knot. Alternate knotter and filler cords; skip down another 4" and tie one square knot.

13. CENTER SECTION: Skip down 1" and tie two square knots with cords 5-8. Skip down 2" and tie two square knots with 9-12.

14. At this point add in two additional 10 ft. cords by running cords thru the last two square knots from behind. Find center of added cords. Drop down 4" and tie one square knot with the four new cords.

15. Skip down 3" on cords 5-8. Alternate knotting and filler cords and tie one square knot.

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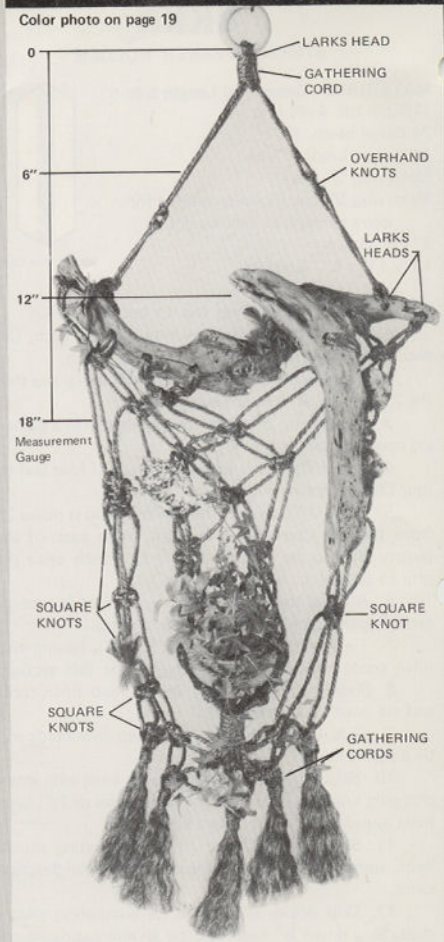

A warm tropical breeze gently blowing from the sea as you gather weathered driftwood along the shore — is a time to be remembered! What better way than using the driftwood in an unique wall hanging with a polynesian flair?

Magdalene

Completed Length 3 ft. 4"

Actual Size Cord

MATERIALS

54 yds. of 5-ply jute
Metal ring, 2½" dia.
3 Beads, 1¼"
2 Bells, 4" high
6" Ceramic pot
18" branch

We used a handmade ceramic pot with matching bells and beads. This project is also attractive if a colored clay pot, colored wooden beads and cow bells are used in place of the ceramics.

DIRECTIONS: (Work from top to bottom.)

1. Cut six cords measuring 6½ yds. each. Cut four cords measuring 3 yds. each and two gathering cords measuring 1½ yds. each.

2. POT HANGER: Lay the six 6½ yd. cords side by side. Skip down 3 yds. and tie eight square knots using two knotters and four filler cords.

3. Fold the knotted section in half thru the ring and wrap a gathering cord around the cords for 1½" below the square knots.

4. Place six cords in front and six cords behind the center of the branch. Tie one square knot using the two outside cords from each side as knotters having eight filler cords.

5. Separate into three groups of four cords each.

6. Select one group and tie thirty-three half knots having two filler cords.

7. Put a bead on the knotting cords.

8. Reverse filler and knotter cords and tie twenty-four half knots. Repeat steps 6 thru 8 for other two groups.

9. Skip down 3½". Taking two cords from each group, separate into three groups of four cords each. Identify as group A, B, and C. Tie Josephine knots. Use two cords from A and two adjacent cords from B and tie a Josephine knot. Repeat between B-C and C-A.

10. Skip down 3" and wrap cords with gathering cord. Cut fringe to measure 3" to 6".

11. BELL HANGER: Use two cords measuring 3 yds. each. Fold each cord in half and mount onto the branch at one end with a Lark's head knot.

12. Tie one square knot. Skip down 1½" and tie another square knot. Repeat for three more knots.

13. Tie two square knots directly below the last square knot.

14. Tie on bell. Glue ends of cords and cut off excess.

15. Repeat steps 11 thru 14 (tie five square knots instead of three in step 12) for other bell hanger. ■

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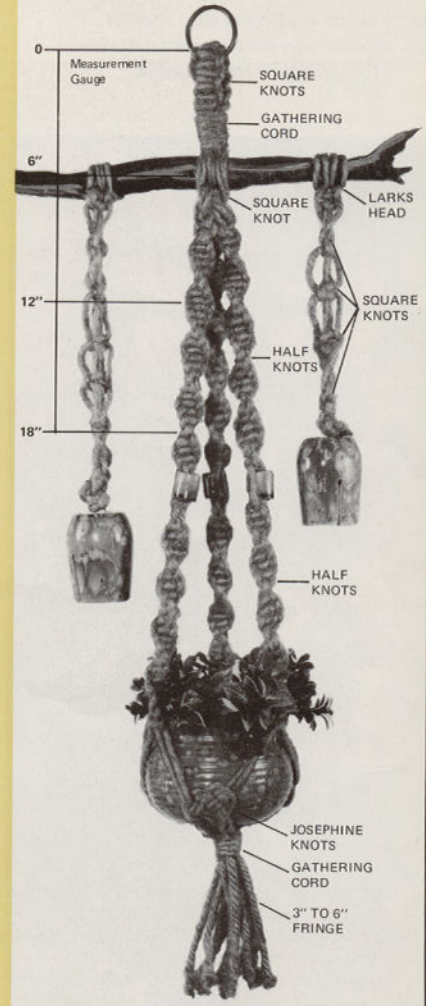

The scintillating tinkle of bells combined with the beauty of a hanging plant accented with macrame' gives this piece special allurement. Turn to page 17 for instructions.

Here's a quick, easy, inexpensive plant hanger with lacy charm all its own. Its simplicity of repetitious knots makes it a "must for plant lovers. See instructions on page 21.

The striking beauty of white yarn and a large tassel makes this macrame' pie'ce de re'sistance a classic decorator's design. Instructions are on page 8.

Accented with shells and bright feathers the hanging above lends itself to a polynesian atmosphere. Notice how an ivy plant was placed in the holder and woven thru the macrame'. Instructions are on page 16.

43" Angela

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knot around the four body cords. Slide knot tight against the last knot from the body.

10. Using the two cords from the outside of each wing, as knotting cords, tie one square knot tightly around the twenty-six remaining cords. (If the knotting cords have a tendancy to slip, tie an overhand knot at each side close to the square knot.) Pull all ends to tighten the cords leaving no space between the wings and knot thus bringing the body and wings into position.

11. For the skirt length, measure 18½" from the last square knot and tie an overhand knot in each remaining cord. Cut fringe 7" below this knot.

12. HANGER: Using a piece of scrap cord, tie a loop around the ring between the two center Lark's heads. Secure with an overhand knot and trim ends. ■

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16. Repeat step 15 with cords 9-12.

17. Alternate all cords, skip down 2" and tie one square knot with each group all around.

18. Bring all center section cords together and secure with 24" gathering cord. This forms a holder for a 6" planter bowl.

19. Use cords 2-3 with two cords from center section and tie one square knot.

20. Skip down 5" on cords 13-14 and tie one square knot with two cords from center section.

21. Tie one square knot with 1-4 and 13-16.

22. Separate the remaining eight cords in center section into two groups and tie one square knot with each group.

23. Skip down 1" on cords 5-6 and tie one square knot along with two center section cords. Repeat with cords 11-12.

24. Tie one square knot with last four center cords.

25. Secure under all four groups of cords with short gathering cords. Cut 5" fringe and unravel.

26. Attach third shell under center, wrapping and tying on with a small cord.

27. TOP HANGER: Using the remaining 10 ft. cord, fold in half and join thru second hole from right on driftwood with a Lark's head knot. Skip down 6" and tie two overhand knots. Skip down 7" and run thru the wooden ring. Secure all cords together below ring with an 18" gathering cord. Skip down another 7" and tie two more overhand knots. Skip down 5", run cords thru last open hole in driftwood and secure with two overhand knots.

28. To finish glue assorted feathers into the beads and onto the driftwood as desired. ■

Kashmir

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21. Skip down 1" and tie one square knot with 7-10 and 23-26.

22. Skip down 1" and tie one square knot with 11-14 and 19-22.

23. Skip down 1" and tie one square knot with 15-18.

23. Skip down 1" and tie one square knot with 15-18.

24. Skip down 5" and tie a square knot in cords 1-4, 29-32. Tie a row of six four-cord square knots with center cords to line up with the two outer knots.

25. Tie two more rows of alternating square knots spacing ½" between rows.

26. Skip down 1½" and tie another row of alternating square knots.

27. Separate into four groups of eight cords each.

28. Skip down 1" and tie alternating square knot pattern with left-hand group. Tie alternating square knot pattern for twenty-three rows. Tie a half knot tightly against the last square knot.

29. Repeat for the other three groups.

30. Skip down 9". Tie a square knot having no filler cords and a half knot. Repeat for 9-12, 13-16, etc.

31. Skip down 4" and wrap tight with 2 yd. gathering cord. This completes the pocket for the large pot. Cut 14" fringe.

32. Put a small nail thru the last knot on each end of the dowel stick about 2" in from the end to secure it. ■

Juliana (Continued from page 8)

12. Remove the 6" tie cord, place the tassel up into the center of the thirty-two cords. Secure all together with a 35" gathering cord. (To really secure the tassel in place put more white glue on the inside top of the gathered cords and tassel.) ■

Chantilly

Completed Length 4 ft. 10"

Acutal Size Cord

MATERIALS

87 yds. 5-ply Jute
3 Macrame' beads, 1" dia.
22" branch
Metal ring, 3" dia.
8" Clay pot

DIRECTIONS

1. Cut six cords measuring 10 yds. each and six cords measuring 4 yds. each. Cut two 36" gathering cords and two 18" tying cords.

2. RIGHT SIDE: Locate the center of three 10 yd. cords and one 4 yd. cord and place over the right end of the stick. Secure with an 18" tying cord. The two short cords will be used as filler cords and the long cords as knotters. (Place the right cord over first in all square knots on this side.) Square knots are tied loosely and pushed up.

3. Number knotting cords 1 thru 6 left to right. With cords 3 and 4 tie one square knot over filler cords.

4. Tie one square knot with cords 2 and 5.

5. Repeat step 4 fourteen more times. Slide a bead up filler cords between square knots of seventh row.

6. LEFT SIDE: Repeat steps 2 thru 5. (Place the left cord over first in all square knots on this side.) Square knots are tied loosely and pushed up.

7. To form pot holder in bottom of hanger use cords 1 and 2 from right side. Skip down 5" and tie two square knots using two cords for fillers.

8. Skip down 6" with cords 1 and 2 from left side and 5 and 6 from right side. Tie two square knots.

9. With cords 3 and 4 from each side, skip down 2½" and tie one square knot.

10. Skip down 4" on all cords. Secure cords together with gathering cord.

11. Trim cord ends to 14". Unravel all cords to form fringe.

12. TOP HANGER: Fold two 4 yd. cords in half to find center. Tie two cords onto each end of branch with overhand knots. Skip down 6" and tie one overhand knot with all four cords on each side. Skip down another 5". Run all cords thru 3" dia. ring. Fold cord down and secure with gathering cord below ring.

13. Repeat steps 3 and 4 four times placing bead up filler cords following first two square knots.

14. Trim all cord ends to 4". Unravel ends to finish. Secure last knot with glue on backside of knot. ■

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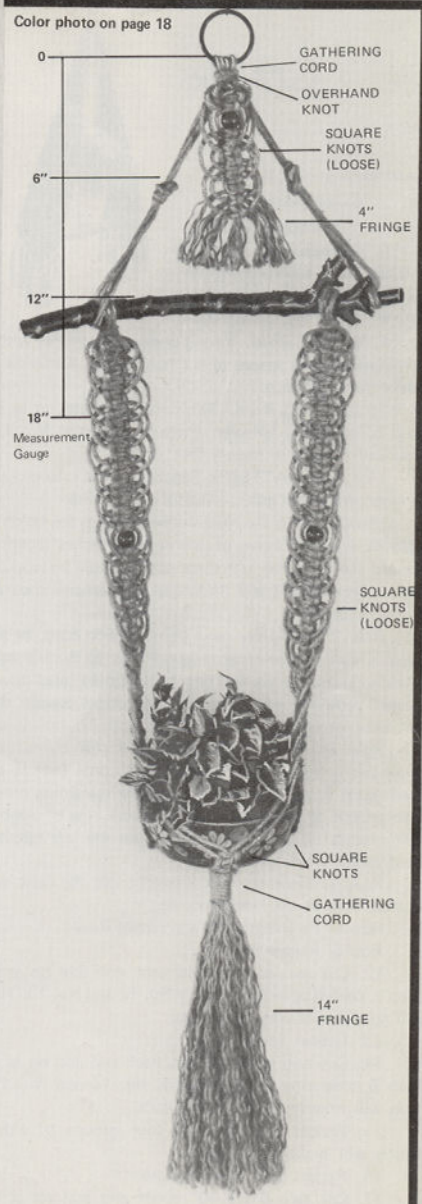

Gracile

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7. Repeat Step 6 once more to form second "daisy".

8. Cut two 9 yd. 14" cords and add on as in Step 5, centering between No. 8 and No. 9. You will now have twenty ends.

9. Separate cords into groups of four and with each group tie a sinnet of six half knots. Allow each sinnet to twist once.

10. Cut two 8 yd. 30" cords and add on as in Step 5, centering between cords No. 10 and No. 11. You will now have twenty-four ends.

11. LEAF PATTERN: Separate cords into groups of eight. With each group repeat the following:

Row 1: Using the right outside cord as the holding cord tie a diagonal row of double half hitches tapering toward the left. The first three cords should be worked almost horizontally and then taper the remaining cords at a steep angle.

Row 2: Using the next right outside cord as the holding cord, tie another diagonal row of double half hitches. This time the first two cords should taper down almost vertically and the remaining cords toward the last knot of the previous row.

Row 3: Alternate petals in this row by setting aside the first four and the last four cords (not to be used again until Row 5). Separate the remaining cords into groups of eight and tie a diagonal row of double half hitches as in Row 1 except use the left outside cord as the holding cord.

Row 4: Same as Row 2 except use the next left outside cord as the holding cord.

Row 5: Re-group cords and repeat Row 1.

Row 6: Repeat Row 2.

12. Cut two cords 8 yds. each and add on as in Step 5, centering between cords No. 12 and No. 13. You will now have twenty-eight ends.

13. Repeat Step 9.

14. Cut two cords 7½ yds. each and add on as in Step 5, centering between cords No. 14 and No. 15. You will now have thirty-two ends.

15. Repeat Step 6 using four groups of eight, which will make two daisies.

16. Repeat Step 15 once more.

17. Cut two 6 yd. 10" cords and add on as in Step 5, centering between cord No. 16 and No. 17. You will now have thirty-six ends.

18. Repeat Step 9.

19. Cut two 5 yd. 26" cords and add on as in Step 5, centering between cord No. 18 and No. 19. You will now have forty ends.

20. Repeat Step 11.

21. Tie two rows of horizontal double half hitches using the left outside cord as the holding cord.

22. Repeat Step 9.

23. Repeat Step 21, using the right outside cord as the holding cord.

24. Repeat Step 6, separating the cords into four groups of ten.

25. Repeat Step 24 once more.

26. Repeat Step 21.

27. Repeat Step 9.

28. Center a 12½" piece of ½" dowel stick and tie a row of horizontal double half hitches working from cord No. 20 to the left and No. 21 to the right.

29. Skip down ½" and tie a row of square knots. Tie eight more rows of alternating square knots spacing each row ½" apart and tapering into a "V" pattern by dropping two cords on each side of every row.

30. Add beads under last knots by threading four cords thru each bead and tie an overhand knot beneath to anchor. Ravel fringe and cut 8" below beads, tapering to a point.

31. Attach shelf with screws. ■

Linda's Planter Lamp

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from the top wire ring. Tie an overhand knot on the inside of the shade.

2. Skip down 4" and tie one square knot with two filler cords.

3. Skip down 5". Alternate knotters and filler cords and tie one square knot. Skip down 5" more and repeat.

4. Repeat steps 1-3 with the other two groups of cords on two other vertical wires.

5. Skip down 4½". Take two cords from each group and tie one square knot having two filler cords.

6. Skip down 6" and tie all the cords together with an 18" gathering cord.

7. COVER ELECTRIC WIRE: Find the center of a 14 yd. cord and attach to loop hanger with a Lark's head knot. Tie square knots to cover approx. 56" of the electric wire. ■

Knots To Know

CHINESE CROWN KNOT

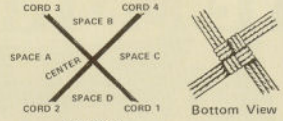


Figure A

The **Chinese Crown knot,** as presented in this book, is made using four groups of cords. After tying the gathering cord around the top of the loops, hold the top by placing upside down between your knees. Divide the cords into four groups and refer to Fig. A as you make the knot. (In these instructions, only four cords will be used, they represent the four groups of cords you will be working with.)

Fold cord 1 over the center and place it in Space A. Leave a loop where the fold is. Fold cord 2 over cord 1 and place it in Space B. For cord 2 and remaining cords, bring the fold all the way to the center, do not leave a loop. Fold cord 3 over cord 2 and place in Space C. Fold cord 4 over cord 3, thru the loop in cord 1, and place in Space D. Pull the cord ends to tighten the knot. This forms one Chinese Crown knot.

To make a second knot, fold any cord straight across the knot (not diagonally) to the space directly opposite the cord. Remember to leave a loop in cord 1. Cord 2 will always be the cord that was crossed over by cord 1 and is perpendicular to cord 1. Once you have established cord 2, you can continue tying the knot as directed above.

GATHERING CORD

Fold one end of gathering cord into a loop. Hold end, loop base secure, and wrap cord around loop. Place end B inside loop. (Fig. 1) Pull end A until loop and end B are inside gathering cord. Clip off ends. (Fig. 2)

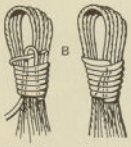
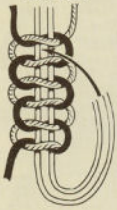


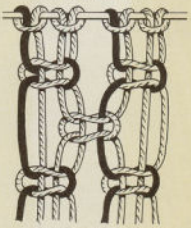
Fig. 1 Fig. 2

SQUARE KNOT SINNET

SQUARE KNOT BUTTON

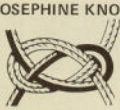


ALTERNATING SQUARE KNOT PATTERN



SQUARE KNOT PICOT

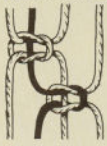
JOSEPHINE KNOT



SQUARE KNOT WITH TWO FILLER CORDS

HALF KNOT SINNET

SINNET OF ALTERNATING FILLER CORDS



SQUARE KNOT WITH ONE FILLER CORD

OVERHAND KNOT

HALF KNOT WITH ONE FILLER CORD

LARK'S HEAD

DOUBLE HALF HITCH

Angle the knot-bearing cord downward for a diagonal double half hitch.

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